SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 453 By Crowe

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Coach Lisa Mintz and the Hunter Elementary School girls' basketball team.

WHEREAS, the Tennessee General Assembly is very proud of our athletic teams which work hard and show significant improvement from one season to the next; and

WHEREAS, the exceptional 1995-1996 Hunter Elementary School girls' basketball team is one such squad, that has been a source of pride to the administration, faculty, students, parents of the school and the Carter County community; and

WHEREAS, despite strong competition, Hunter finished a strong third in the fabled 1996 seventh grade tournament; and

WHEREAS, this tremendously adroit and fiercely determined team had four times the number of victories this season than they had last season; and

WHEREAS, their overall level of play markedly improved in 1996, resulting in a much more competitive team that kept each game close; and

WHEREAS, the Tigers exemplified dedication and hard work, tripling their practice time this year; and

WHEREAS, highly regarded Coach Lisa Mintz has demonstrated rare competence in performing each of her varied duties, teaching her young charges to be winners on the hardwood courts and, most importantly, in life; and

WHEREAS, each of the players and their parents have been very complimentary of Coach Mintz's efforts this season and many have even used the unusual adjective

"inspirational"; and

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WHEREAS, with a very balanced attack, each of the players, Rachel Nave, Diana Bowers, Heather Cable, Amy Campbell, Andrea Ensor, Ashley Dugger, Melinda Simerly, Tracy Burleson, Robin Martin, Justine La Rose, Diana Dunn, Heather Shankle, Taran Hurley and Beth Simms, have made a major contribution to the success of the team this season; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that we pause in our deliberations to specially recognize the accomplishments of this special team; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we give our hearty roar of approval to the achievements of Coach Lisa Mintz and the 1995-1996 Hunter Elementary School Lady Tigers and commend them for their diligent efforts. We express our fond hope and sincere belief that next season will again be one of improvement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution, duly inscribed with the sentiments of this Body, be furnished to the school and each person named above, with this final resolving clause deleted from those copies.

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